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Subject: Re: Gold King Mine Spill

Althea,

We do not have a specific time yet. That being said, I did have NNEPA water take a surface water and sediment sample this morning (I'm unsure of the location).

We would like to mobilize START to support a water sample team effort which would likely be lead by NNEPA water. That tasking is in process and expectations are they could on the ground as early as tomorrow.

We'd like to work with you to ensure consistency and to also leverage resources that may already be deployed, esp since we have the same START contractor. Let's discuss this further during the coordination call this afternoon.

Lastly, I talked to Craig Myers from R8, they believe the slug was still roughly 10 miles north of the NM board based on ASPECT from 10am mtn (moving slower than expected). With that being said, my back of the napkin estimates: based on where the slug is now and where it came from, the speed is 2-3 mph not at the original estimates of 4 mph. The Animas River is roughly 75 river miles from the CO boarder to Farmington.

Once the slug crosses the CO / NM boarder

At 2 mph = 37 hours to Farmington

At 3 mph = 25 hours to Farmington

Thanks,

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Randy,

I believe you are the Region 9 OSC contact for the Navajo Nation. I am told Region will be initiating sampling of the San Juan River within the Navajo Tribal Lands. Do you have a timeline for when you'll begin sampling?

Thanks